

**Year C; Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Liturgical Elements**  
**Developed for February 6, 2022**  
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**Lectionary Texts**

- Isaiah 6:1-8, (9-13)
- Psalm 138
- 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
- Luke 5:1-11

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (*from Psalm 138*)

- One: We give you thanks, O Lord, with our whole hearts;  
**All: before the gods we sing your praise;**  
One: we give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and faithfulness;  
**All: for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.**  
One: All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,  
**All: for they have heard the words of your mouth.**  
One: They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,  
**All: for great is the glory of the Lord.**  
One: For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly;  
**All: but the haughty he perceives from far away. Let us gather before and worship God!**

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION** (*from Isaiah 6*)

The prophet Isaiah describes a people whose ears are stopped, whose eyes are shut, and whose minds do not comprehend. They do not understand the ways of God and the need to repent. Let us turn to God and repent of our sinful ways.

**\*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (30 seconds)

**\*CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*from Isaiah 6*)

**Patient and merciful God, you look upon us at times and find a people who keep listening but do not comprehend — a people who keep looking, but do not understand. We have closed ourselves from your ways and your will, O Lord. Soften our hearts and turn us toward you. Call us to repentance and forgive our sins. Call us away from the world and into your Kingdom of Heaven. We pray this in the name of the one who suffered death that we might live — our Lord Jesus the Messiah. Amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (*from 1 Corinthians 15*)

The Apostle Paul confesses his sin claiming he is the least of the apostles — even unworthy to be called an apostle because he persecuted God’s church. As God can forgive Paul, he can also forgive each of us. Repent and know that you are forgiven. **Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (*from 1 Corinthians 15*)

**Merciful and gracious God, the Apostle Paul writes of what he handed down to us of first importance. For you sent Christ to earth, and he died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures. He was buried, and he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures as the first fruits and demonstration of what awaits those who follow him. In thankfulness, we dedicate a portion of our labors for the work of your church. Bless these gifts, and guide our Session in their investment. Amen.**

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